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## Wyoming's Most Popular Baby Names Listed for 2009

There will be plenty of girls named "Madison" and boys called "Aiden" on Wyoming's playgrounds over the next several years as the two were the most popular baby names in the state for 2009, according to the Vital Statistics Services Program of the Wyoming Department of Health.

For girls, Madison was the number one name chosen in 2009, followed by Isabella, Hailey, Abigail and Addison (tied), and Ava and Emma (tied). Aiden topped the boys' list, followed by Kayden/Caden (various spellings), Brayden, Wyatt and Jacob.

The program recorded 7,381 births to Wyoming resident mothers during 2009. "There were 250 more boys born than girls, 93 sets of twins and one set of triplets," said Gladys Breeden, Vital Statistics Services Program manager with the Wyoming Department of Health.

Breeden noted there were also two girls named "April" born during the month of April, two girls named "December" born during December, and two girls named "Autumn" born two days after the fall equinox. "There was also a boy named "Joseph" born on Christmas," Breeden said.

The Vital Statistics Services Program promotes and protects the health of Wyoming by serving as the official custodian of all vital records in the state and by disseminating health information in support of health and social planning efforts. More Wyoming statistics and information about the program can be found online at <a href="http://www.health.wyo.gov/rfhd/vital\_records/index.html">http://www.health.wyo.gov/rfhd/vital\_records/index.html</a>.

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